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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER VISITS BERLIN

1. HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER'S FIRST VISIT AS FOREIGN MINISTER TO BERLIN JUNE 8 - 9 RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE MEDIA COVERAGE. GENSCHER CALLED BERLIN "TOUCHSTONE OF DETENTE" AND SAID THAT BERLIN PERFORMED CENTRAL FUNCTION FOR PEACE AND DETENTE IN EUROPE. QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT, HE SAID, MUST BE STRICTLY OBSERVED AND APPLIED. MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT OF TIES BETWEEN FRG AND BERLIN, HE SAID, SHOULD NOT BE QUESTIONED BY ANYONE. IN DISCUSSING EXPERIENCE WITH QA, HE ADMITTED THAT PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION STILL GAVE BONN HEADACHES. FOREIGN MINISTER DESCRIBED WESTERN DEFENSE ALLIANCE AND US PRESENCE IN EUROPE AS FOUNDATIONS FOR WEST GERMAN FOREIGN POLICY.

2. DISCUSSING FRG PRESENCE IN BERLIN, GENSCHER SAID HE WOULD RAISE ESTABLISHMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AGENCY IN WEST BERLIN AT FORTHCOMING MEETING WITH ALLIED FOREIGN MINISTERS. STATING THAT HE WOULD ADHERE TO DECISION TO SET UP OFFICE,
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HE SAID HE WOULD IN FUTURE, USE EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO COORDINATE

HIS VIEWS WITH THOSE OF ALLIES. GENSCHER ALSO COMMENTED FAVORABLY
ON ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GERMAN NATIONAL CULTURAL FOUNDATION IN
BERLIN BUT SAID HE DID NOT EXPECT QUICK DECISION IN BONN ON
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